

RESOLUTION NO. RS2018-1500 (VERCHER & GILMORE) – This resolution would approve an intergovernmental agreement between the Tennessee Department of Health and the Metropolitan Board of Health to provide Child Fatality Review Services in the Sudden Death of the Young (SDY) in children under age 19 investigated by the Medical Examiner's Office. A similar agreement was approved in 2015 (RS2015-1408). This agreement is intended to supersede a similar agreement approved earlier this year (RS2018-1405).

Section 10.104(8) of the Metropolitan Charter provides that the Board of Health has the duty to contract for such services as will further the programs and policies of the Board, subject to confirmation by resolution of Council.

Under the agreement, the Metro Health Department would be responsible for reviewing sudden death cases of children under the age of 19 (excluding homicides, suicides, overdoses, poisonings, and vehicle accidents) to gain a better understanding of what happened, how to prevent future child deaths, and how to decrease the rate of child deaths in Tennessee. The Metro Health Department would be required to submit progress reports to the State every six (6) months. The term of the contract would begin September 30, 2018 and end September 29, 2022. Further, a Business Associate Agreement and Service Level Agreement between the Tennessee Department of Health and Metro is part of the agreement and included in the attachments to the agreement.

Fiscal Note: Metro would be compensated up to \$28,000 for these services during the term of the contract, which would be \$3,500 per submitted progress report.